

Application No. 10/ 674,426
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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [042] with the following amended paragraph:

[042] A user interface can be any device that facilitates or assists in facilitating communication with a human user. Typically, the user interface includes provisions to receive audio and/or speech information from a user and provisions to send audio and/or speech information to a human user. The user interface can include a microphone to receive audio and/or speech information, or the user interface can include provisions to receive information from a microphone, such as electrical connections and/or a wireless link. The user interface can also include a loudspeaker or provisions to send audio and/or speech information to one or more loudspeakers, such as electrical connectors and/or a wireless link. In the embodiment shown in Figure 3, head unit 302 serves as a user interface. COM1 304 can be any device that facilitates communication to and from vehicle 100. In some embodiments, COM1 304 can be a wireless telephone. In the embodiment shown in Figure 3, COM1 304 is a wireless telephone interface device. COM1 304 communicates with wireless telephone 312 and with microphone 308. Although any method can be used to facilitate communication between COM1 304 and wireless telephone 312 and microphone 308, a wireless system is preferred. In an exemplary embodiment, the Bluetooth® protocol is used to facilitate communication between wireless telephone 312 and COM1 304. In other words, in an exemplary embodiment, COM1 304 is Bluetooth capable, and can communicate wirelessly using the Bluetooth protocol with a wireless telephone 312 that is also Bluetooth capable. A wireless link, including a Bluetooth link, can be used between COM1 304 and microphone 308; however, a wired connection can also be used, and is the preferred arrangement.